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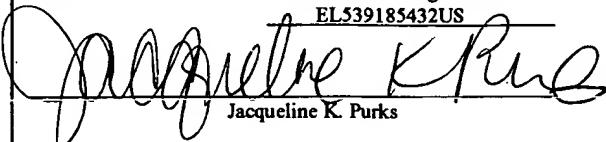
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Attn: Director, Group 2787
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Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner for a three-month extension of time for responding to the Office Action dated June 21, 2000, extending the statutory period of response from September 21, 2000 to December 21, 2000.

Our check in the amount of \$890.00 to cover the fee for the three-month extension of time is attached.

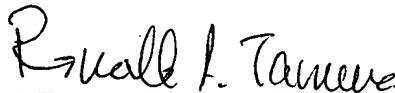
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